What is claimed is:

1.   1.   A method comprising:

2   initiating an operation in a second portion of a

3   system if a value indicates that a first portion of the

4   system is in a trusted state.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, wherein the operation

2   comprises an information update.

1   3.   The method of claim 2, further comprising setting

2   a register containing the value using the first portion

3   before exiting the trusted state.

1   4.   The method of claim 3, further comprising reading

2   the value using the second portion.

1   5.   The method of claim 1, further comprising not

2   performing the operation if the value is not indicative of

3   the trusted state.

1   6.   The method of claim 1, further comprising

2   initiating remediation if the value is not indicative of

3   the trusted state.

1   7.   The method of claim 2, further comprising

2   receiving the information update via an air interface with

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3   the second portion and providing the information update to

4   the first portion.

1   8.   The method of claim 1, wherein the second portion

2   comprises a communications processor of a wireless device

3   and the first portion comprises an applications processor

4   of the wireless device.

1   9.   A method comprising:

2   maintaining a hardware asset to indicate a trust state

3   of a first subsystem of a system.

1   10.   The method of claim 9, further comprising

2   accessing the hardware asset using a second subsystem of

3   the system.

1   11.   The method of claim 9, wherein the system

2   comprises a wireless device.

1   12.   The method of claim 10, further comprising

2   updating digital content in the second subsystem if the

3   hardware asset indicates the trust state is valid.

1   13.   The method of claim 10, further comprising

2   preventing updating the second subsystem if the hardware

3   asset does not indicate the trust state is valid.

1   14. The method of claim 13, further comprising

2 performing a remediation measure using the second subsystem

3 if the trust state is not valid.

1   15. The method of claim 13, further comprising

2 providing an indication to the first subsystem if an update

3 was attempted when the trust state was not valid.

1   16. The method of claim 9, further comprising setting

2 the hardware asset via the first subsystem before exiting a

3 trusted state, wherein the hardware asset comprises a one-

4 way register.

1   17. The method of claim 10, further comprising

2 determining if an update is trusted in the first subsystem

3 and transferring the update to the second subsystem if the

4 hardware asset indicates the trust state is valid.

1   18. An apparatus comprising:

2   a hardware asset to indicate a trust state of an

3 applications portion of the apparatus.

1   19. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the hardware

2 asset is accessible by a communications portion of a

3 wireless device.

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1   20.   The apparatus of claim 19, wherein the
2   communications portion cannot modify a value of the
3   hardware asset.

1   21.   The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the hardware
2   asset is coupled to receive a program signal if the trust
3   state of the applications portion is not valid.

1   22.   The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the hardware
2   asset is coupled to receive a reset signal to initiate a
3   trusted state.

1   23.   The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the hardware
2   asset comprises a one-way register.

1   24.   A system comprising:
2   a hardware asset to indicate a trust state of an
3   applications portion of the system; and
4   a wireless interface coupled to the hardware asset.

1   25.   The system of claim 24, wherein the hardware
2   asset is accessible by a communications portion of the
3   system, wherein the system comprises a wireless device.

1   26.   The system of claim 24, wherein the hardware
2 asset comprises a one-way register.

1   27.   The system of claim 24, wherein the wireless
2 interface comprises an antenna.

1   28.   An article including a machine-accessible storage
2 medium containing instructions that if executed enable a
3 system to:
4   control a hardware asset of the system to indicate a
5 trust state of a first portion of the system.

1   29.   The article of claim 28, further comprising
2 instructions that if executed enable the system to update a
3 second portion of the system if the hardware asset
4 indicates the trust state is valid.

1   30.   The article of claim 28, further comprising
2 instructions that if executed enable the system to prevent
3 or discard an update to a second portion of the system if
4 the hardware asset indicates the trust state is not valid.

1   31.   The article of claim 30, further comprising
2 instructions that if executed enable the second portion to
3 initiate a remediation operation if the hardware asset
4 indicates the trust state is not valid.

1   32. The article of claim 28, further comprising

2 instructions that if executed enable the system to perform

3 a secure operation in a second portion of the system if the

4 hardware asset indicates the trust state is valid.

1   33. The article of claim 28, further comprising

2 instructions that if executed enable the first portion to

3 vector into a trusted state before initiating a transfer

4 operation to a second portion of the system.

1   34. A method comprising:

2   accessing a value with a second portion of a system,

3 the value indicative of a trust state of a first portion of

4 the system.

1   35. The method of claim 34, further comprising

2 initiating an operation in the second portion if the value

3 is indicative of the trust state.

1   36. The method of claim 35, wherein the operation

2 comprises an information update.

1   37. The method of claim 34, wherein the first portion

2 comprises an applications portion of a wireless device and

3   the second portion comprises a communications portion of

4   the wireless device.